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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR, EG, US, GW
SUBJECT: GOE REQUEST FOR ANTI-TERRORIST TRAINING

REFS: (A) CAIRO 9409 (NOTAL); (B) STATE 92807

1. SOURCES IN THE FOREIGN OFFICE AND THE INTERIOR MINISTRY INFORM US THAT THE EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES MADE A THREE-PART REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN COMBATTING TERRORISM VIA THE GERMAN MILITARY ATTACHE IN CAIRO. THIS REQUEST WAS MADE SOME TIME AGO AND A MORE RECENT APPROACH ALSO HAS BEEN MADE AT A HIGHER LEVEL OF THE FRG. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN DETAILS OF THE LATTER APPROACH.

2. ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCES, THE EGYPTIANS ORIGINALLY: (A) MADE A GENERAL REQUEST FOR CLOSE COOPERATION BETWEEN GERMAN AND EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES IN DEALING WITH TERRORISM. (THIS REQUEST WAS REPEATED BY THE EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR TO ROMANIA IN A CONVERSATION WITH

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HIS GERMAN COUNTERPART); (B) MADE A SPECIFIC REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION AND TECHNIQUES OF GSG-9; AND (C) REQUESTED THAT AN EGYPTIAN POLICE CHIEF VISIT GERMANY TO DISCUSS THE TERRORIST PROBLEM AND WHAT MIGHT BE DONE ABOUT IT.

3. THE GERMANS HAVE NOT RPT NOT TURNED DOWN THE

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EGYPTIAN REQUESTS. THE EGYPTIANS HAVE BEEN GIVEN
A GENERAL REPLY THAT THE FRG BELIEVES CLOSE
COOPERATION IS NECESSARY BUT THAT GERMAN ANTI-
TERRORIST UNITS ARE PRESENTLY OVERBURDENED AND
AN EGYPTIAN VISIT IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE IS
IMPOSSIBLE. THE FRG HAS TOLD THE EGYPTIANS THEY WILL
CONTACT THEM AS SOON AS THEIR SCHEDULE PERMITS IT.
OUR INTERIOR MINISTRY SOURCE TOLD US IT WAS UNLIKELY
THAT THEY COULD RECEIVE THE EGYPTIAN POLICE CHIEF
BEFORE THE END OF 1978.

4. OUR FOREIGN OFFICE CONTACT TOLD US THAT, WHILE
THERE ARE SOME RESERVATIONS CONCERNING THE TRAINING
OF EGYPTIAN COMMANDOS WHO MIGHT SOME DAY ENGAGE IN
COMBAT WITH ISRAEL, THE MINISTRY APPROVED THE REQUEST
IN PRINCIPAL.

5. WE ARE ENDEAVORING TO DETERMINE WHETHER THIS
MOST RECENT REQUEST (PARA. 1) IS RELATED TO ACTUAL TRAINING
OF EGYPTIAN ANTI-TERRORIST UNITS AS SUGGESTED REF B.
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